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CHHS Secretary Diana Dooley Announces Dr. Ronald Chapman as Director of the Department of Public Health

Kathleen Billingsley appointed Chief Deputy Director of Policy and Programs

Daniel C. Kim appointed Chief Deputy Director of Operations

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SACRAMENTO- California Health and Human Services Secretary Diana Dooley today announced the appointment of Ronald W. Chapman, MD, MPH as Director of the California Department of Public Health.

Dooley also announced the appointments of Kathleen Billinglsey as Chief Deputy Director of Policy and Programs and Daniel C. Kim as the Chief Deputy Director of Operations.

"The California Department of Public Health plays a critical role in protecting the health of our communities and our state," said Secretary Dooley. "Together we will be advancing our shared vision of a healthy California through increased focus on prevention and wellness."

Dr. Chapman, 49, has served as the Chief Medical Officer for Partnership HealthPlan California since 2010. He previously served as the health officer for Solano County Public Health and as the chief of the Medicine and Public Health Section for the California Department of Health Services. Dr. Chapman also served as the chief of the Integrating Medicine and Public Health Program at U.C. San Francisco, as an assistant professor at U.C. Davis and as adjunct faculty at the University of Northern Colorado. He received a Doctor of Medicine from the University of Southern California, a Master of Public Health from the University of Michigan, and a Bachelor of Sciences from U.C. Irvine and is a board certified family practice physician. Under statute, the Director of the Department of Public Health is required to be a physician and the salary is set at \$222,000. This position requires Senate confirmation.

Billingsley, 61, has served as the Assistant Executive Officer for Health Policy and Planning at CalPERS since November 2010. Billingsley previously served as the Deputy Director of the Center for Health Care Quality at the California Department of Public Health and senior vice president of operations for Electronic Healthcare Systems. She also served as vice president of health services for Momentum Health Services and Health Net. Billingsley is a registered nurse and received a Bachelor of Arts from U.C. Berkeley. This position requires Senate confirmation and the salary is \$147,888.

Kim, 42, has served as Deputy Director for the Sacramento County Department of Human Assistance since 2002. Previously, Kim managed budgeting and legislative affairs for the San Francisco Department of Human Services. Kim served as a management consultant for Price Waterhouse and a fiscal and policy analyst at the California Legislative Analyst's Office. Kim received a Bachelor of Arts from U.C. Berkeley and a Master of Public Policy from Harvard University. This position requires Senate confirmation and the salary is \$143,640.

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